# DALLAS DENIES F.B.I. ASKED FOR COVER-UP

DALLAS, Oct. 14 (UPI)—J. Gordon Shanklin, head of the Dallas office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, made public today a letter from Police Chief Jesse Curry denying that the bureau had ever asked Mr. Curry to "cover up" the fact that it knew Lee Harvey Oswald was in Dallas before the assassination of President Kennedy.

Mr. Shanklin wrote Chief Curry on Oct. 13:

"Based upon a letter, which you are quoted by news services as writing to the President's Commission in May, 1964, certain members of the news media are indicating that I am supposed to have asked you to cover up the fact that the F.B.I. knew Lee Harvey Oswald was in Dallas, Tex., prior to the assassination of President Kennedy. I will appreciate your clarifying this matter.

"You will recall that on the occasion of my call to you on Nov. 23, 1963, I specifically asked that you retract your statements that the F.B.I. had interviewed Oswald in Dallas and that the F.B.I. had Oswald under surveillance in Dallas. I asked this retraction because the F.B.I. did not have Oswald under surveillance, nor did we interview him in Dallas. At no time did I ask you to 'cover up' for the F.B.I. or otherwise change your statement."

Mr. Curry's reply, as made public by Mr. Shanklin, said:

"Neither you nor anyone connected with the Federal Bureau of Investigation ever asked me to 'cover up' the fact that the F.B.I. knew Lee Harvey Oswald was in Dallas, Tex., prior to the assassination of President Kennedy.

"This is in reply to your letter of Oct. 13, 1964."

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